



**City Secretary's Office**  
City of Frisco, Texas

## Memorandum

**To:** Honorable Mayor Maso and Members of the Frisco City Council

**Cc:** George A. Purefoy, City Manager

**From:** Jenny Page, City Secretary

**Date:** 01/13/2010

**Agenda Caption:** Consider and Act upon actions necessary for the May 8, 2010 Election in the City of Frisco

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**Action Requested:** Approval of an Ordinance amending the current Ordinance and designating a fourth precinct for elections and approval of a Resolution designating election day polling places to allow calling a May 8, 2010 General Election and submission of Pre-Clearance documents to the Department of Justice. This elections will be called at the February 2, 2010 Regular Council Meeting.

Also, staff is requesting direction to call a Special Charter Amendment Election on May 8, 2010 and submission of Pre-Clearance documents to the department of Justice.

**Background Information:** At the January 5, 2010 Regular Council Meeting, staff was directed to move forward with preparations to add an additional polling location in Denton County, providing a location for Frisco residents that reside in Lewisville ISD to vote in one location.

Election law provides that you may only have one polling location in each precinct therefore; we must add a fourth precinct by amending Ordinance No 03-02-04. The precinct will include all of Denton County Precinct 131. The four precincts will be known as Precinct West, Precinct Central, Precinct East and the newly proposed precinct as Precinct Southwest.

The election day polling locations within the precincts will be located at Pioneer Heritage Middle School, Staley Middle School, Wester Middle School, and the

newly proposed location at Heritage Lakes Amenities Center. These locations will be designated by approval of the attached Resolution.

The Department of Justice recommends election pre-clearance be submitted in mid January to allow 60 days to reply with approval or request further information, therefore; approval of the precincts and polling locations is imperative for timely submission.

This timeline also impacts plans for a Special Charter Amendment Election and staff requests that you give direction to call the Special Charter Amendment Election at the February 2, 2010 Regular Council Meeting and submit Pre-Clearance documents to the Department of Justice. Final ballot language does not need to be finalized at this meeting but should be by the statutory deadline to call an election on March 8, 2010.

**Board Review/Citizen Input:** Citizens have requested a polling place that would accommodate voters in Lewisville ISD that have to vote in more than one location.

**Alternatives:** Council could table or deny approval.

**Legal Review:** This Ordinance and Resolution were drafted by Courtney Kuykendall.

**Supporting Documents:** Ordinance, Resolution, Precinct Map.

**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends approval.